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1294- 1 October Acceptance of service of summons.  
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\*\* 1 October Hearing in Court Room: Accused HIROTA, by his Counsel, had marked for identification Exhibit No. 3262. Prosecution and Defense made requests for clarification of the Court's ruling with reference to receiving documentary evidence. It was pointed out that a state of confusion exists in the record where a document is admitted into evidence but not read, or only part thereof read; contention of both Prosecution and Defense that when a document is admitted the whole of said document forms part of the evidence whether it is read into the record or not. Ruling by President: "No member of the Tribunal desires to review the decision of the Tribunal given in July, 1946, and repeated recently. If the whole of a document has been tendered and received in evidence but only part has been read, the unread part may be referred to in summation, if necessary or desirable in the view of the particular counsel."

\*\* 2 October Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3263, 3264, 3265, 3268, 3269, 3270, 3271 and 3272 marked for identification. Oral application of Defense for order dismissing witnesses HORINOCHI, Kensuke and HIDAKA, Shinrokuro, who appeared by and on behalf of the accused HIROTA; Granted. Accused HIROTA, by his Counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3266, 3267, 3273, 3273-A, 3274, 3275

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**	2	October	and 3276.
1298	3	October	Oath of witness.
**	3	October	Hearing in Court Room: Accused HIROTA, by his Counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3277 to 3294 inc. Oral applications of Defense for orders dismissing witnesses OKAMOTO, Suemasa; ISHII, Itaro; ARITA, Hachiro; and ATSIDAORA, Yasumasa; Granted.
1299- 1304	6	October	Oaths of witnesses.
**	6	October	Hearing in Court Room: Accused ITAGAKI, by his Counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3295 to 3305 inc., and Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3302 to 3304 inc. marked for identification. Oral applications of Defense for orders dismissing witnesses SHIMAMOTO, Masaichi; OZAWA, Kaisaku; KOKUBU, Shinhichiro; FURUNO, Inosuke; YAMAWAKI, Masataka; and MADOKORO, Shintaro; Granted.
1305- 1310	7	October	Oaths of witnesses.
**	7	October	Hearing in Conference Room: On motion of HIROTA, Koki (Paper No. 1290), for an order to propound certain interrogatories to The Hon. Sir Robert Craigie, former Ambassador of Great Britain to Japan, by cable. Objection was made by Prosecution to all interrogatories on various grounds and the President of the Tribunal gave certain suggestions but refrained from binding his colleagues by formal order and continued the matter until tomorrow morning at 0900 hours. Mr. George A. Furness, counsel for the accused SHIGEMITSU, requested directions from the President regarding Paper No. 877 authorizing interrogation

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**	7	October	of the Hon. Sir Robert Craigie. Ordered: This matter will be continued until tomorrow morning at 0900 hours for a further hearing.
**	7	October	Hearing in Court Room: Accused ITAGAKI, by his Counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3306 to 3316 inc. Oral applications of Defense for orders dismissing witnesses OKADA, Yoshimasa; SAWADA, Shigeru; IHARA, Junjiro; HAZEYAMA, Tetsuo; SAITO, Seiei; USEUGI, Motoyuki; and TAKAYAMA, Hikoichi, who appeared by and on behalf of accused ITAGAKI; Granted. Accused ITAGAKI called to stand as a witness in his own behalf.
**	8	October	Hearing in Court Room: Trial of the case resumed by further examination and cross-examination of accused ITAGAKI.
**	8	October	Hearing in Conference Room: Hearing resumed on motion of HIROTA, Koki (Paper No. 1290), for an order to propound certain interrogatories to The Hon. Sir Robert Craigie, former Ambassador of Great Britain to Japan, by cable, and on Paper No. 877 which is an order authorizing the interrogation of The Hon. Sir Robert Craigie. ORDERED: The Defense may transmit the interrogatories in any form they see fit and take the risk of having them accepted or rejected later in open Court.
1311	8	October	Order to propound by cable certain interrogatories of The Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Leslie Craigie, former Ambassador of Great Britain to Japan. (Disposes of Paper No. 1290).
1312	8	October	Acceptance of service of summons.
1313	8	October	Order to propound by cable certain interrogatories to The Rt. Hon. Sir

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1313	8	October	Robert Leslie Craigie, former Ambassador of Great Britain to Japan. (Disposes of oral application).
**	9	October	Hearing in Court Room; Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3317 to 3319 inc. marked for identification.
1314- 1316	10	October	Oaths of witnesses.
**	10	October	Hearing in Court Room; Prosecution made oral application to permit Mr. Tavenner to cross-examine the accused ITAGAKI <b>relative to the Tri-Partite Pact</b> . Decision: Refused. Oral applications of Defense for orders dismissing the accused ITAGAKI from the stand to resume his place in the dock, and dismissing witnesses SHIONO, Suehiko; USAMI, Uzuhiro; OGAWA, Yataro; and ISHIWATARI, Sotaro, who appeared by and on behalf of the accused KAYA. Granted. Accused KAYA, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3320 and 3321.
1317	13	October	Acceptance of service of summons.
1318	13	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
1319- 1325	13	October	Oaths of witnesses.
**	13	October	Hearing in Court Room: Accused KAYA, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3322 to 3337 inc. Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3338, 3338-A, 3338-B, 3338-C and 3339 marked for identification. Oral applications of Defense for orders dismissing witnesses YUKI, Toyotaro; AKASHI, Teruo; TSUSHIMA, Juichi; UCHIDA, Shinya; OKAZAKI, Koichi; and TEMEMOTO, Hiroatsu, who appeared by and on behalf of the accused KAYA; Granted. Accused KAYA called to stand as witness in his own behalf.

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1326	14	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
1327	14	October	Oath of witness.
**	14	October	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibit No. 3339-A marked for identification. Oral application by Defense for order dismissing accused KAYA from the stand to resume his place in the dock; Granted. Accused KIDO, Koichi, was called to the stand as a witness in his own behalf and he presented his affidavit which was marked for identification as Exhibit No. 3340.
1328	15	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
1329	15	October	Withdrawal by Counsel, and appointment and acceptance of Counsel.
1330-1333	15	October	Acceptance of service of summons.
**	15	October	Hearing in Court Room; Trial resumed by further examination of accused KIDO.
1334	16	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
**	16	October	Hearing in Court Room: Trial resumed by further examination of accused KIDO.
1335	17	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
1336	17	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused HIRANUMA, Kiichiro.
**	17	October	Hearing in Court Room: Trial resumed by further examination and cross-examination of accused KIDO.
1337	20	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
**	20	October	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibit No. 3341 marked for



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**	20	October	identification. Cross-examination of accused KIDO resumed.
1338	21	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
**	21	October	Hearing in Court Room: Trial of case resumed by further cross-examination of accused KIDO.
1339	22	October	Acceptance of service of summons.
1340- 1341	22	October	Certificates testifying to illness of accused HIRANUMA, Kiichiro, and SHIRATORI, Toshio, respectively.
**	22	October	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3342 and 3342-A marked for identification. Counsel for Prosecution and Defense argued the admissibility of documents tendered by Prosecution during cross-examination of accused KIDO; Decision: If, in the course of cross-examination, a document is handed to the witness and he admits that it is his document and it is relevant and material, or, if in the course of the cross-examination, a document not the document of the witness is tendered to him and he admits the truth of the contents, the document may then be tendered by the cross-examining counsel and will be received in evidence. The Court also assures the Defense that if in the course of cross-examination of the accused or other witnesses, some new matter is brought out prejudicial to an accused who has already closed his case, the Court will favorably consider an application by that accused's counsel to receive further evidence in rebuttal.
1342- 1343	23	October	Acceptance of service of summons.
1344- 1345	23	October	Certificates testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio, and

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1344- 1345	23	October	HIRANUMA, Kiichiro, respectively.
**	23	October	Hearing in Court Room: Defense made oral application that accused KIDO be dismissed from the stand to resume his place in the dock; Granted. Accused KIDO, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3343, 3344 and 3345.
1346- 1347	24	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused HIRANUMA, Kiichiro, and SHIRATORI, Toshio, respectively.
1348- 1353	24	October	Oaths of witnesses.
**	24	October	Hearing in Court Room: Accused KIMURA, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3346 to 3364, inc. Oral applications of Defense for orders dismissing witnesses OYAMA, Ayao; SEMBA, Tsutomu; HIGASA, Ryohei; MIKI, Toshihide; TANAKA, Nobuo, HONDA, Masaki; ICHIDA, Jiro; and YAMAGUCHI, Eiji, who appeared by and on behalf of accused KIMURA; Granted.
1354- 1355	27	October	Oaths of witnesses.
1356	27	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
**	27	October	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3365 to 3367-B inc., and 3370 and 3371, marked for identification. Accused KIMURA, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3368 and 3369. Oral applications of Defense for orders dismissing witnesses KAWAHARA, Naiochi; SHIBAYAMA, Kaneshiro; and TANAKA, Tadakatsu, who appeared by and on behalf of accused KIMURA; Granted.
1357	28	October	Application to Prosecution for the release of interrogations of Eugen OTT.

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1358	28	October	Acceptance of service of summons.
1359	28	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
1360	28	October	Oath of witness.
**	28	October	Hearing in Conference Room: On oral application by accused UMEZU to have the present witness TAKEBE called as a witness for the accused UMEZU. Prosecution announced that they had no objection to the Defense calling the witness TAKEBE as a witness for the accused UMEZU, and that they would make the witness available for interrogation by the Defense in the usual way. Therefore, no order was necessary.
**	28	October	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution made oral application that the witness TAKEBE, Rokuzo, be dismissed; Granted.
1361	29	October	Oath of witness.
1362	29	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
**	29	October	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibit No. 3372 marked for identification. Oral application by Prosecution to dismiss witness MATSUURA, Kusuo, Granted.
1363	30	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
1364- 1365	30	October	Oaths of witnesses.
**	30	October	Hearing in Conference Room: Hearing on application (Paper No. 1357) to Prosecution for the release of interrogations of Eugen CTT; the Court reserves its decision.



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**	30	October	Hearing in Court Room: Defense Exhibits Nos. 3373 and 3373-A marked for identification. Oral application by Prosecution for order dismissing witness MURAKAMI, Keisaku; Granted.
1366	31	October	Oath of witness.
1367	31	October	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
**	31	October	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibit No. 3374 marked for identification. Accused KOISO, by his counsel, had asked for identification Exhibit No. 3375. Oral applications by Prosecution for orders dismissing witnesses BATARSHIN, Gilfin A., and CHERNOBYATKE, Ivan Davidovich; Granted. Accused KOISO called to stand as a witness in his own behalf.
1368- 1369	3	November	Acceptance of service of summons.
1370	3	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
1371	3	November	Return of Summons to Testify for TANI, Hisao (released from Sugamo 1 August 1946).
**	3	November	Hearing in Court Room. Trial resumed by cross-examination of accused KOISO, and Prosecution Exhibit No. 3376 marked for identification.
1372	4	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused SHIRATORI, Toshio.
**	4	November	Hearing in Court Room. Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3377 to 3382 inc. marked for identification. Cross-examination of accused KOISO continued.
1373	5	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI, Iwane.

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1374-    5    November    Oaths of witnesses.  
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\*\*       5    November    Hearing in Court Room: Accused KOISO,  
by his counsel, had marked for identi-  
fication Exhibits Nos. 3383 to 3390  
inc. Oral applications by Defense for  
orders dismissing witnesses KOISO, who  
appeared in his own behalf; and  
TOKUGAWA, Yoshichika; HIYOSHI, Takehiko;  
KITANO, Kenzo; TOKUGAWA, Yoshitomo,  
who appeared by and on behalf of the  
accused KOISO; Granted.

1379-    6    November    Oaths of witnesses.  
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1381    6    November    Certificate testifying to illness of  
accused MATSUI, Iwane.

1382    6    November    Oath of witness.

\*\*       6    November    Hearing in Court Room: Accused KOISO,  
by his counsel had marked for identi-  
fication Exhibits Nos. 3384-A and  
3391; Prosecution Exhibit No. 3392  
marked for identification. Oral  
application by Defense for order dis-  
missing witness TANAKA, Takeo, who  
appeared by and on behalf of accused  
KOISO; Granted. Oral application by  
Prosecution for order dismissing  
witness BUDARIN, Boris A.; Granted.  
Individual defense of MATSUI commenced  
and his counsel had marked for identi-  
fication Exhibits Nos. 3392 to 3399  
inc. Oral applications by Defense for  
orders dismissing witnesses OSUGI,  
Hiroshi and NAKASAWA, Mitsuo, who  
appeared by and on behalf of accused  
MATSUI; Granted.

1383-    7    November    Oaths of witnesses.  
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1387-    7    November    Certificates testifying to illness of  
1388       accused MATSUI and SHIRATORI, res-  
pectively.

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\*\* 7 November Hearing in Court Room: Accused MATSUI, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3400 to 3412 inc. The President of the Tribunal announced that he was returning to Australia for a stay of approximately six weeks. Defense Counsel, Owen Cunningham, made oral motion that the Tribunal recess during the period of the President's absence. Decision: Motion denied. Oral applications by Defense for orders dismissing witnesses IINUMA, Mamoru; SAKAKIBARA, Kazue; SHIMONAKA, Yasaburo; NAKATANI, Takeyo; and OKADA, Takashi, who appeared by and on behalf of the accused MATSUI; Granted.

1389 10 November Order from Supreme Commander appointing Acting President of the Tribunal.

1390 10 November Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.

\*\* 10 November Hearing in Conference Room: On oral application of Prosecution for appointment of a commission to take the testimony of Baron SHIDEHARA. ORDERED: That the evidence be taken before a commission, and designated and appointed the Honorable Justice Northcroft as commissioner before whom said testimony would be taken, and further ordered that the General Secretary make all arrangements for the taking of said testimony, to be held at the home of Baron SHIDEHARA located in the suburbs of Tokyo, at 2:00 P.M. on November 11, 1947.

\*\* 10 November Hearing in Court Room: Clerk of the Court read order from Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers appointing Acting President for the Tribunal. Accused MINAMI, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3413 to 3434 inc. Oral applications by Defense for orders

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- \*\*            7    November    Hearing in Court Room: Accused MATSUI, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3400 to 3412 inc. The President of the Tribunal announced that he was returning to Australia for a stay of approximately six weeks. Defense Counsel, Owen Cunningham, made oral motion that the Tribunal recess during the period of the President's absence. Decision: Motion denied. Oral applications by Defense for orders dismissing witnesses IINUMA, Mamoru; SAKAKIBARA, Kazue; SHIMONAKA, Yasaburo; NAKATANI, Takeyo; and OKADA, Takashi, who appeared by and on behalf of the accused MATSUI; Granted.
- 1389        10    November    Order from Supreme Commander appointing Acting President of the Tribunal.
- 1390        10    November    Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.
- \*\*            10    November    Hearing in Conference Room: On oral application of Prosecution for appointment of a commission to take the testimony of Baron SHIDEHARA. ORDERED: That the evidence be taken before a commission, and designated and appointed the Honorable Justice Northcroft as commissioner before whom said testimony would be taken, and further ordered that the General Secretary make all arrangements for the taking of said testimony, to be held at the home of Baron SHIDEHARA located in the suburbs of Tokyo, at 2:00 P.M. on November 11, 1947.
- \*\*            10    November    Hearing in Court Room: Clerk of the Court read order from Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers appointing Acting President for the Tribunal. Accused MINAMI, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3413 to 3434 inc. Oral applications by Defense for orders

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\*\*        10    November    dismissing witnesses TAKEDA, Hisashi; KATAKURA, Tadashi; and KODAMA, Tomeo, who appeared by and on behalf of accused MINAMI; Granted.

1391       10    November    Order appointing Commission to take the deposition of SHIDEHARA, Kijuro.

1392       10    November    Cath of witness.

1393       12    November    Acceptance of service of summons.

1394-       12    November    Caths of witnesses.  
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1396       12    November    Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.

\*\*        12    November    Hearing in Court Room: Accused MINAMI, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3435 to 3437 inc. Oral applications by Defense for orders dismissing witnesses KAWABE, Torashiro and ONO, Tyokuichiro, who appeared by and on behalf of accused MINAMI; Granted. Accused MUTO, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3438 to 3442 inc., and 3444. Prosecution had marked for identification Exhibit No. 3443. Oral applications by Defense for orders dismissing NISHIURA, Susumu; and IWAKURO, Hideo, who appeared by and on behalf of accused MUTO; Granted.

\*\*        13    November    Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibit No. 3445 marked for identification. Accused MUTO by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3446 to 3454, inc. Oral applications by Defense for orders dismissing witnesses YAMAMOTO, Kumaichi; MIKI, Yoshihide; SAKAKIHARA, Kazuye; and OHIRA, Hideo, who appeared by and on behalf of accused MUTO; Granted. Accused MUTO called to stand as witness in his own behalf. Acting President appointed the Hon. Mr.



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**	13	November	Justice Northcroft Commissioner to take testimony of ISHII, Akiho; hearing to be held at such time and place as the Commissioner may designate.
1397	13	November	Order appointing commission to take the deposition of ISHII, Akiho. (Disposes of oral application).
1397-A	13	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.
1398	13	November	Request by accused OKA for production of witness. (See Order No. 1401).
1399- 1400	13	November	Oaths of witnesses.
**	14	November	Hearing in Conference Room: On request by the accused OKA, Takazumi (Paper No. 1398) for the production of a witness under the Charter, and the issuance of a summons for TOMITO, Kenji. Granted as prayed.
**	14	November	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3455 to 3460-A inc. marked for identification. Examination and cross-examination of accused MUTO continued.
1401	14	November	Order for the production of a certain witness necessary to the defense of the accused OKA, Takazumi, under the Charter.
1402	14	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.
1403	14	November	Acceptance of service of summons.
1404	17	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.
1405- 1406	17	November	Oaths of witnesses.

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**	17	November	Hearing in Court Room: Defense made oral application that accused MUTO be released from witness stand to resume his place in dock; Granted. Accused MUTO, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3467, 3468, and 3469 Oral application by Defense for order dismissing witness HOSHINA, Zenshiro, who appeared by and on behalf of accused OKA; Granted. Acting President made announcement relative to affidavits of certain witnesses in the Russian phase.
1407	17	November	Order of the Tribunal with reference to the affidavits of Prosecution witnesses KITA, Seiichi; AKIKUSA, Shun; YANAGITA, Genzo; USHIROKU, Jun; OTSUBA, Kajuma; and TOMINAGA, Keoji.
1408	18	November	Oath of witness.
1409	18	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.
**	18	November	Hearing in Court Room: Accused OKA, by his counsel had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3470 to 3473 inc. Oral applications by Defense for orders dismissing witnesses SHIBA, Katsuo; OIKAWA, Koshiro; NOMURA, Naokuni; and TAKATA, Toshitane, who appeared by and on behalf of accused OKA; Granted. Accused OKA called to stand as witness in own behalf.
1410	19	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.
**	19	November	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3474 to 4378 inc. marked for identification. Oral application by Defense that accused OKA be released from stand to resume place in dock. Granted. Report of Justice Northcroft on commission to take deposition of Baron SHIDEHARA

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**	19	November	was presented and marked Exhibit No. 3479.
1411- 1412	20	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI and SHIRATORI, respectively.
**	20	November	Hearing in Court Room: Trial resumed by reading of the deposition of Baron SHIDEHARA. Defense Exhibit No. 3479-A and Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3479-B to 3479-I inc. marked for identification.
1413	21	November	Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.
**	21	November	Hearing in Court Room: Accused MUTO, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibit No. 3480. Accused OSHIMA, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3481 to 3496 inc. Oral applications by Defense for orders dismissing witnesses WAKAMATSU, Tadaichi; KASAHARA, Yukio; and USAMI, Uzuhiiko, who appeared by and on behalf of accused OSHIMA; Granted.
1414	24	November	Request by accused SHIRATORI for the production of witnesses.
1415	24	November	Oath of witness.
**	24	November	Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibit No. 3497 marked for identification. Accused MATSUI, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibit No. 3498. Oral application by Defense for order dismissing KAWABE, Torashiro, who appeared by and on behalf of accused OSHIMA; Granted. Accused MATSUI called to stand as witness in his own behalf.
1416- 1417	25	November	Oaths of witnesses.

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\*\* 25 November Hearing in Court Room: Defense made oral application that the accused MATSUI be released from witness stand to resume his place in dock; Granted. Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3499, 3499-A, 3500 and 3500-A marked for identification. Accused OSHIMA, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3501 to 3509, inc. Oral application by Defense for order dismissing witness YOKOI, Tadao, who appeared by and on behalf of accused OSHIMA; Granted. Accused OSHIMA called to stand as witness in his own behalf.

1418 26 November Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.

\*\* 26 November Hearing in Court Room: Accused OSHIMA, by his counsel, had marked for identification Exhibits Nos. 3510 to 3513 inc. Acting President announced Court would not sit on Thanksgiving Day, November 27. Cross-examination of accused OSHIMA continued.

1419 28 November Certificate testifying to illness of accused MATSUI.

28 November Hearing in Court Room: Prosecution Exhibits Nos. 3514 to 3517-A inc. marked for identification. Cross-examination of accused OSHIMA continued.